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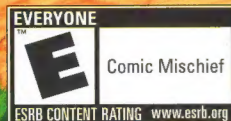
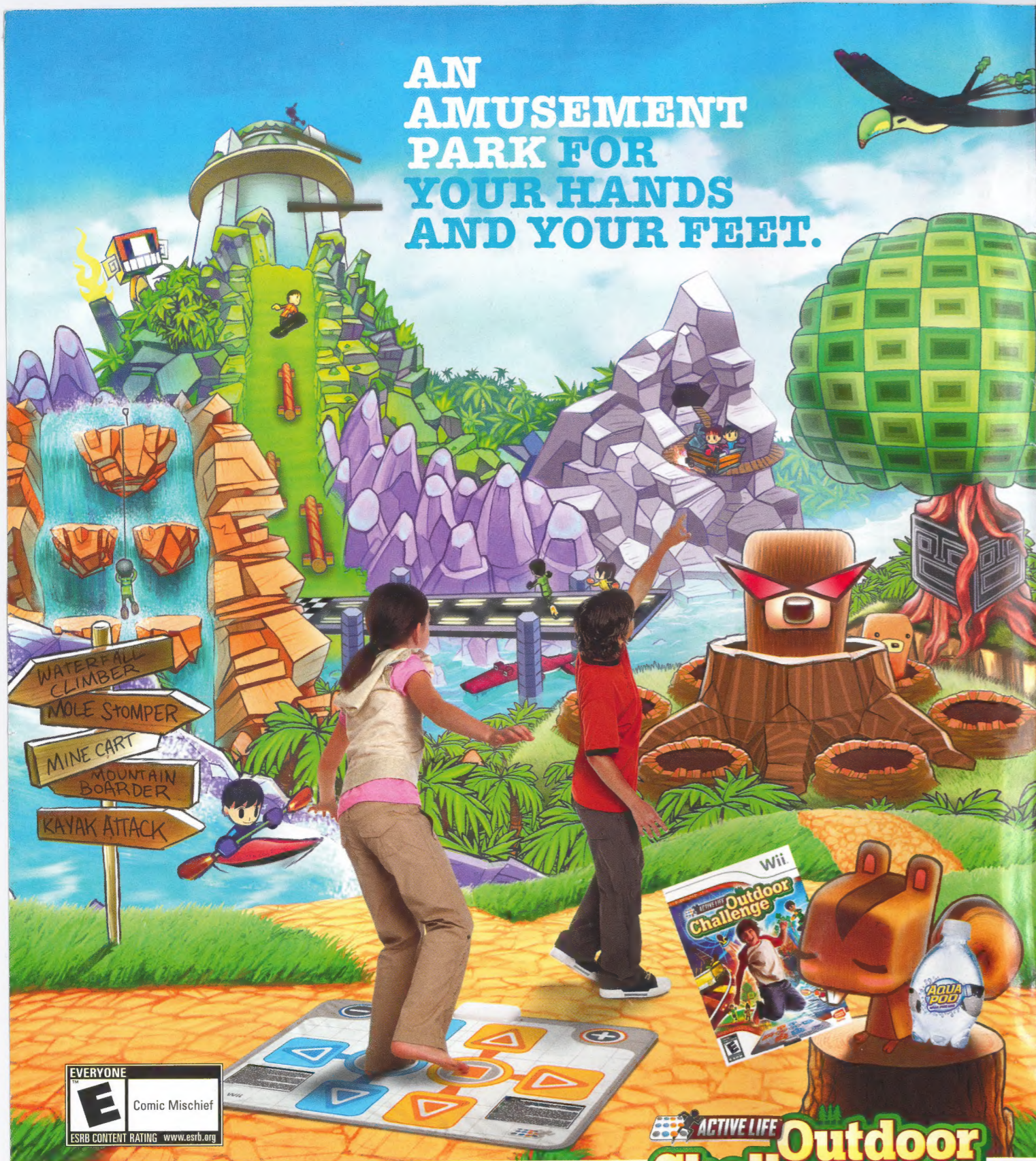
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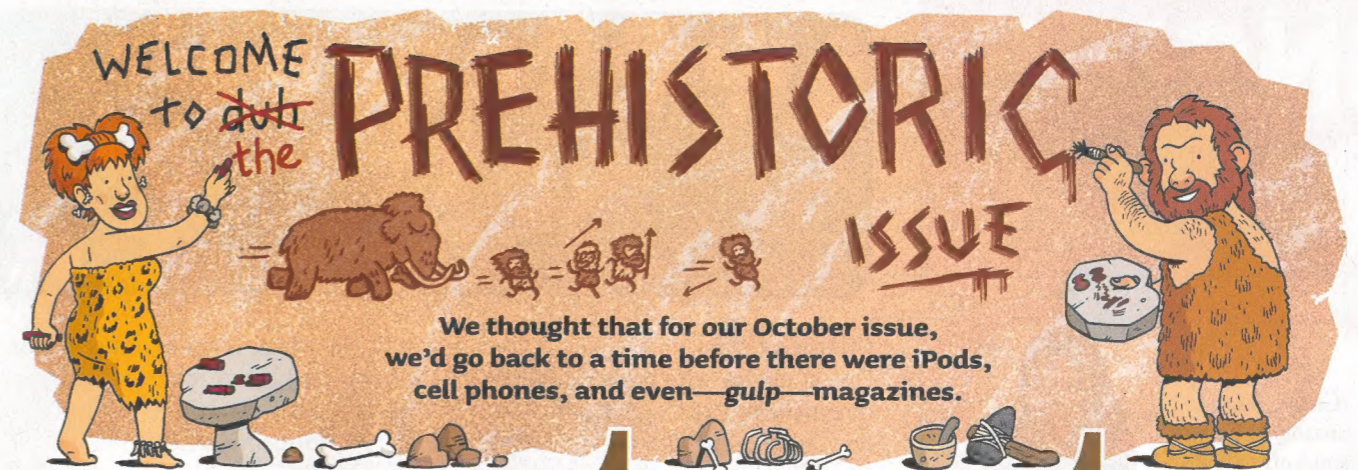
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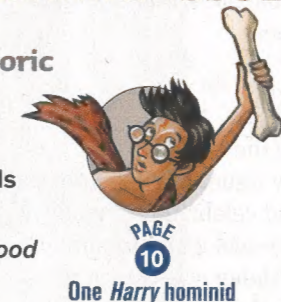


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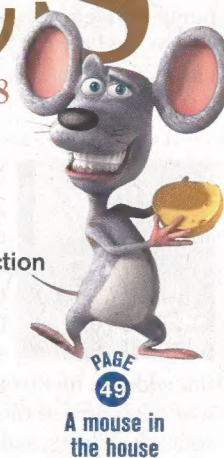
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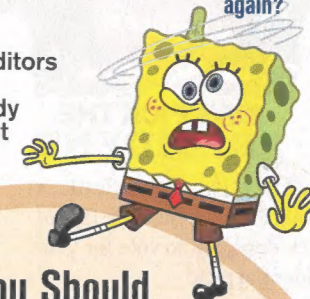
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2 I'm Zelda Van Gutters, Nick Mag's roving reporter. I'm glad I don't live in 100,000 BC because I don't like the idea of chasing a saber-toothed cat.

3 Check out our dinosaur page numbers. It's good that we photographed toys instead of using the real thing. The ceilings in our offices aren't too high, after all.



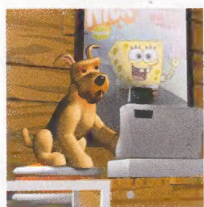
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## Dear Nick Mag,

One of my favorite parts of the magazine is The Celeb Page. How do you come up with the questions?

**Shawn**  
via e-mail

## Dear Shawn,

First, we sit around and think up many, many questions. Then, we shred the terrible ones, burn the *really* terrible ones, and ask stars the good ones.

## Dear Nick Mag,

I really like the calendar that you put in every issue. It gives interesting facts and celebrities' birthdays. It was really cool when I found out that my birthday was the same as Antonio Banderas's. You should never take the calendar out.

**Jacqueline Z.**  
via e-mail

## Dear Jacqueline,

Not only are we keeping the calendar in each issue, but we moved it to the front of the magazine. We've also made it easier for you to take the calendar out of the magazine and put it in your binder. You and Antonio can celebrate that together on your next birthday.

## About the July issue

## Dear Nick Mag,

I LOVED "Travel Bugs" in Shorts & Briefs. I related most to Souve-nirtheria. I just got back from a trip to Oregon and bought three shirts, a pair of earrings, a ring, two bags, a pair of sunglasses,



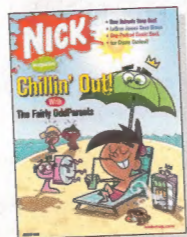
and two books. Is there a vaccine for this illness? I am broke.

**Anna K., age 14**  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

## Dear Anna,

Our prescription: Take two key chains and call us in the morning.

## About the August issue



## Dear Nick Mag,

On the cover of the August issue, Timmy was sitting in a chair, Cosmo was his umbrella, and Wanda was his fan. But who was the

fridge with soda and ice cream in it?  
**Jack A.**  
via e-mail

## Dear Jack,

That's a good question, and you're very observant. That's Wanda and Cosmo's new baby, Poof!

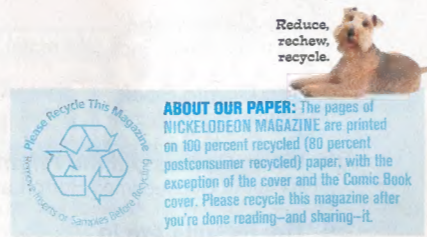
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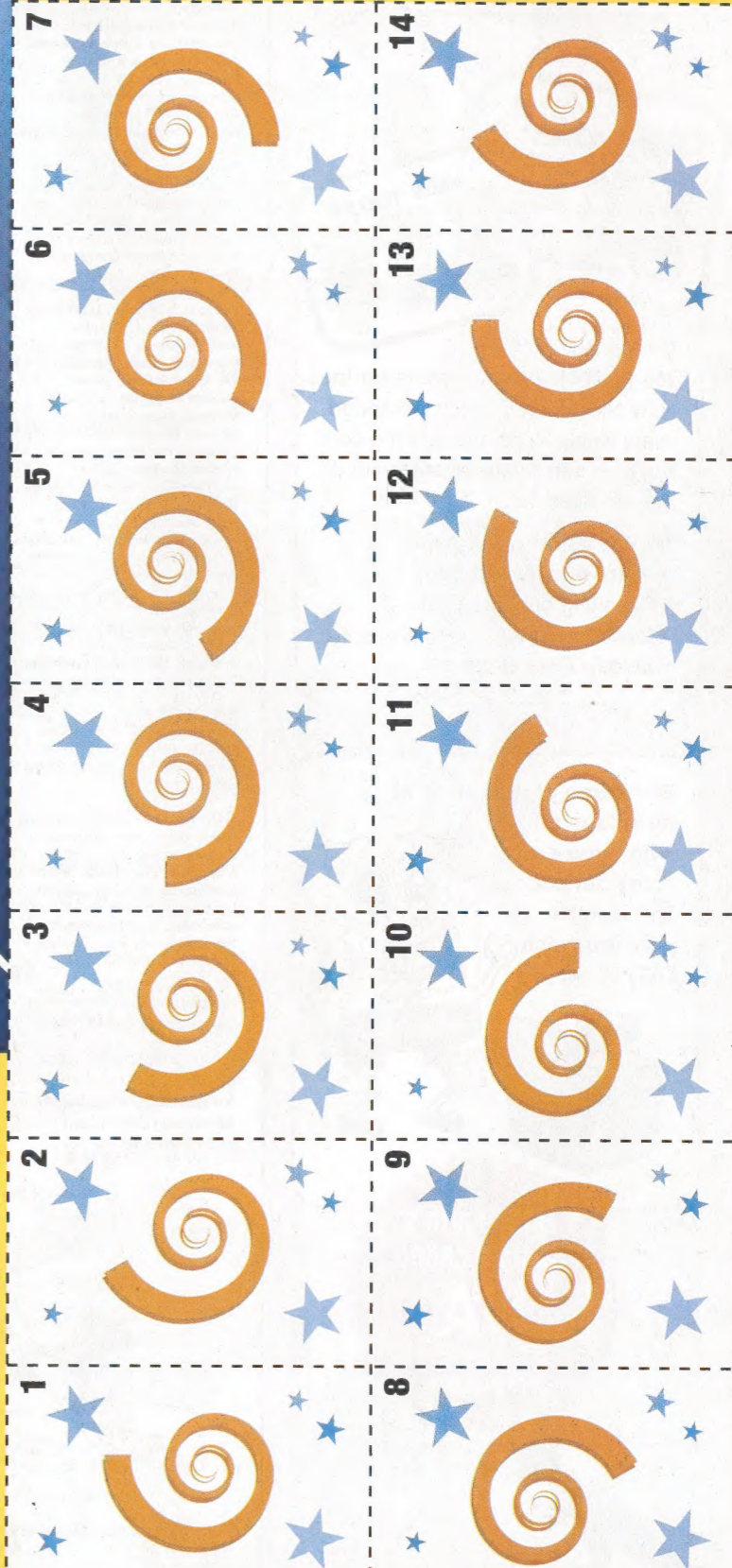
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<p><b>Real</b></p> <p>October is Spinach Lovers Month</p>	<p>October is Spinach Lovers Month</p>	<p>Simon Cowell, American Idol judge, born, 1959 <b>It's a day for Idol talk.</b></p>	<p><b>1</b></p> <p>Kelly Ripa, cohost of Live with Regis and Kelly and actress, born, 1970 <b>Today she went Live.</b></p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>Kelly Ripa, cohost of Live with Regis and Kelly and actress, born, 1970 <b>Today she went Live.</b></p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>World Smile Day <b>Grin and bear it.</b></p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>Edward L. Stratemeyer, American author of the Nancy Drew and Hardy Boys books, born, 1862 <b>He was a man of mysteries.</b></p>
<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Spinning and Weaving Week begins <b>Weave a tangled web.</b></p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Spider</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Simon Cowell, American Idol judge, born, 1959 <b>It's a day for Idol talk.</b></p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>The average American eats about three pounds of spinach a year.</p>	<p><b>9</b> Spinach Fact #1 Spinach was the first frozen vegetable sold in the U.S.</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>Arkansas State Fair and Livestock Show in Little Rock, Arkansas, begins <b>Go hog wild.</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>Pig</p>
<p><b>12</b> Spinach Fact #2 Eating foods that contain vitamin C will help your body absorb the iron in spinach.</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>The Continental Congress establishes the U.S. Navy, 1775 <b>Everything was finally shipshape.</b></p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>Pilot Chuck Yeager becomes the first person to fly faster than the speed of sound, 1947 <b>He created quite a BOOM!</b></p>	<p><b>15</b> Spinach Fact #3 The average American eats about three pounds of spinach a year.</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>Noah Webster, dictionary author, born, 1758 <b>He had a lot of definition.</b></p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Zac Efron, actor, born, 1987 <b>We're having a Zac attack!</b></p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>Zac Efron, actor, born, 1987 <b>We're having a Zac attack!</b></p>
<p><b>19</b></p> <p>The British surrender to General George Washington at Yorktown, Virginia, 1781 <b>The British are going, the British are going!</b></p>	<p><b>20</b> Spinach Fact #4 In medieval times, artists used green pigment from spinach as paint.</p>	<p><b>21</b></p> <p>Julia Roberts, actress, born, 1967 <b>And that's the tooth!</b></p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>Ichiro Suzuki, baseball player, born, 1973 <b>This really hits home with us.</b></p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>The iPod is unveiled, 2001 <b>It was music to everyone's ears.</b></p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>Halloween <b>Happy haunting!</b></p>	<p><b>25</b> Spinach Fact #5 Spinach is closely related to beets and chard.</p>
<p><b>26</b></p> <p>The famous Gunfight at the O.K. Corral in Tombstone, Arizona, breaks out, 1881 <b>Aw, shoot.</b></p>	<p><b>27</b></p> <p>Julia Roberts, actress, born, 1967 <b>And that's the tooth!</b></p>	<p><b>28</b></p> <p>John Glenn, the first American to orbit the moon, returns to space at age 77, 1998 <b>He had to relaunch.</b></p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>John Glenn, the first American to orbit the moon, returns to space at age 77, 1998 <b>He had to relaunch.</b></p>	<p><b>30</b> Spinach Fact #6 China grows the most spinach in the world.</p>	<p><b>31</b></p> <p>Halloween <b>Happy haunting!</b></p>	<p><b>NICK</b> magazine</p>

# The Celeb Page

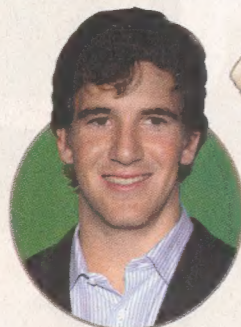
We asked these celebs to channel their inner caveperson.



**Natasha Bedingfield**  
singer

**What part of your house is most like a cave?**

My bedroom [because] you can hide.



**Eli Manning**  
football player

**If you lived in prehistoric times, what would be more useful to you: a club or a laptop?**  
I'd say a club. [laughs] I think you'd get more work done with a club.



**Amanda Seyfried**  
actress

**If you lived in a cave, how would you decorate it?**  
I'd hang Christmas lights over it, and I'd have a guitar and a fire pit right in the center.



**Josh Peck**  
actor

**What part of your house is most like a cave?**

I used to like to chill in my closet a lot because it gets this great breeze. All my ties, from [when I was] nine years old until [I turned] twenty-one, are hanging on the wall and it looks like hieroglyphics.



**Masi Oka**  
actor

**If you lived in prehistoric times, what would be more useful to you: a club or a laptop?**  
A club because I think the Internet would go down very quickly, and if it goes down, I'd have no one to call.

Just call me Zelly!



**2 Miley Cyrus:**  
a. Destiny Hope Cyrus  
b. Billie Jo Cyrus



**4 Tiger Woods:**  
a. Forrest Lyons  
b. Eldrick Woods



**5 Ice Cube:**  
a. O'Shea Jackson  
b. Randy Jackson



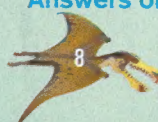
**1 Reese Witherspoon:**  
a. Laura Jeanne Reese Witherspoon  
b. Elle Witherspoon



**3 Jamie Foxx:**  
a. Kenneth King  
b. Eric Bishop

## Name That Star

A lot of celebs don't go by the name on their birth certificate. See if you can guess each celeb's given name.  
**Answers on page 55.**



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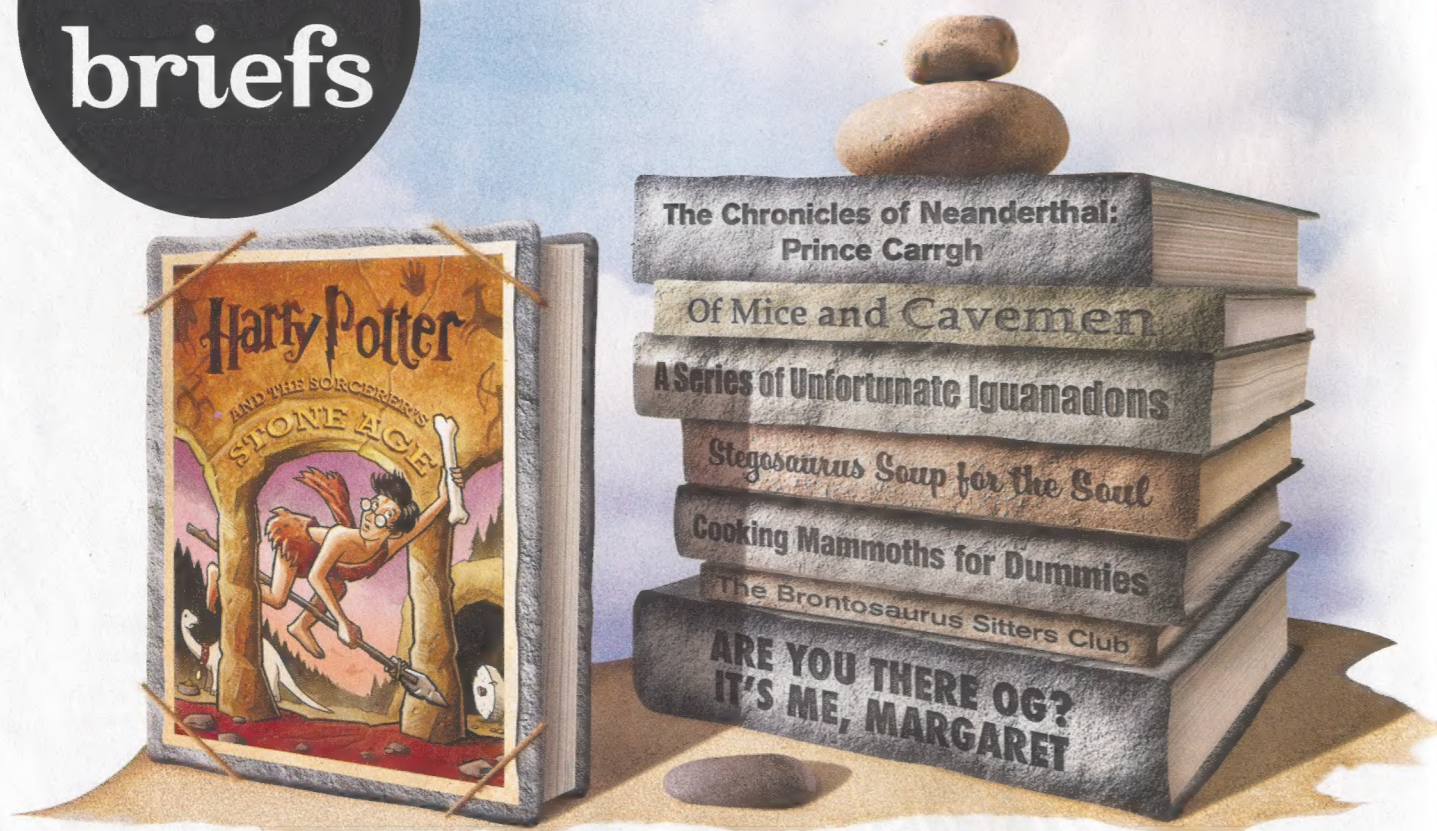
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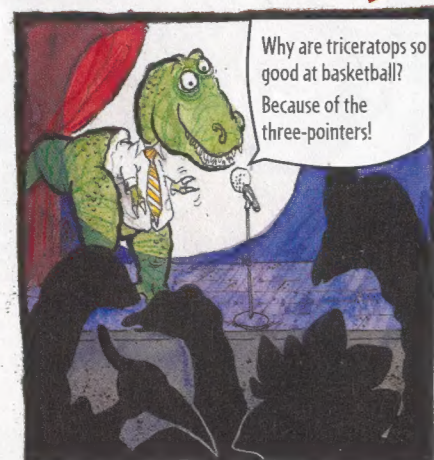
These fossilized best sellers were discovered  
at the site of a Stone Age bookstore.



## Bad Dino Jokes

Why is there no record of a dinosaur doing stand-up comedy?  
It's not just because they've been dead for millions of years—  
it's because their jokes were terrible!

by Jacob Lambert



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## My Stegosaurus Ate my Homework

Here's how prehistoric students  
might have answered their cave teachers'  
question "Where's your homework?"

"I left it in the pocket of my other woolly mammoth sweater."

"It got stuck in one of those new, fast-moving glaciers  
coming in from the north."

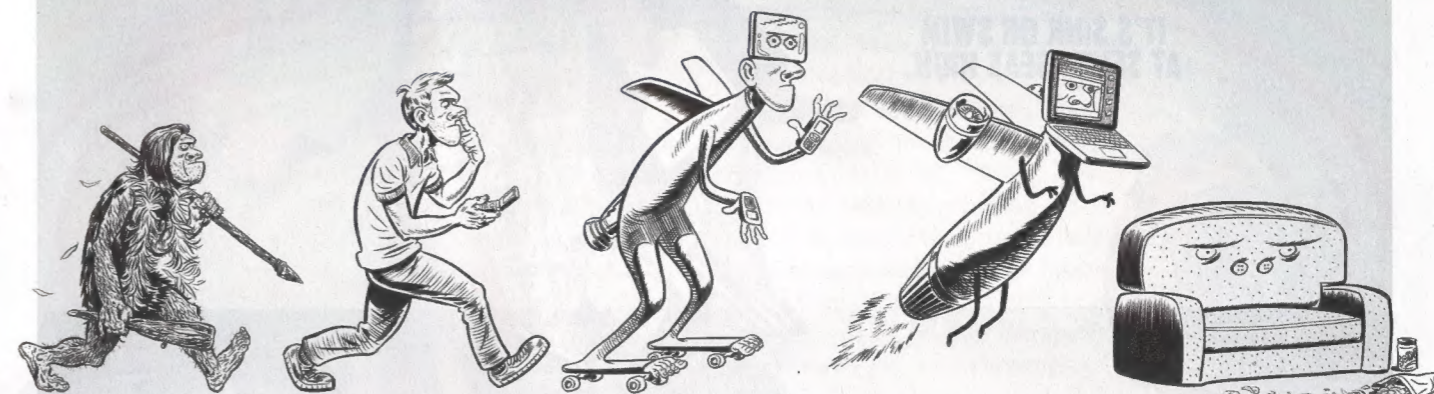
"My dad wanted to bury it along with some dinosaur bones for  
people in the future to find."

"My stegosaurus ate it."



## FUTURE HUMAN EVOLUTION

You've probably seen posters of apes evolving into  
modern humans. But what if the timeline kept going  
and showed what we will look like in the future?



### Prehistoric Human:

350,000 BC

Used simple tools.  
Extremely hairy but  
still wore furry pelts.  
Walked everywhere.  
Communicated with  
grunts. Did not text  
or IM. Toilet paper  
probably not used.

### Modern Human:

The Present

Uses hands to pick nose  
and operate electronic  
devices. Less hairy  
(hopefully). Wears  
clothing. Communicates  
with words, IM, and text  
messaging. Grunts when  
lifting heavy things.

### Electro Human:

AD 30,000

Zips around on skate-  
board-like feet propelled  
by a rocket-like rear end.  
Hands have evolved into  
cell phones. Video game  
screen now part of the  
face for easier access.

### Future Human:

AD 40,000

Can fly 1,000 miles an  
hour. Communicates  
via an 800-gigabyte  
brain. Little-used  
arms and legs have  
shrunk to a  
humorous size.

### Lazy Boy Human:

AD 300,000,000

With robots to take  
care of every need,  
humans now have a  
wide, couch-like body  
that doesn't move at  
all. No arms to reach  
for snacks. Life is  
very boring!



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dug up these hoaxes involving  
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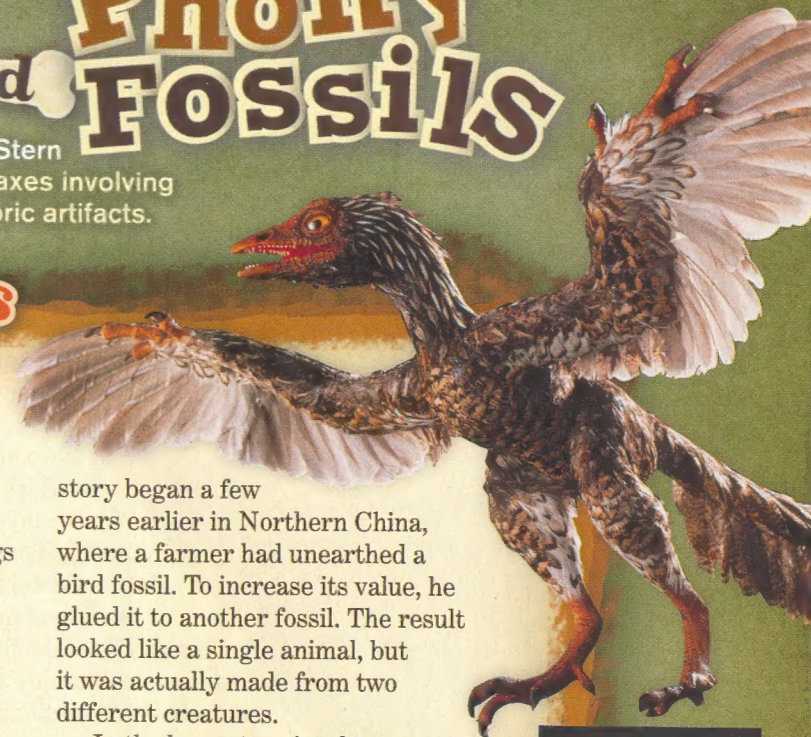
### For the Birds

Dramatic new evidence that birds evolved from dinosaurs was unveiled in the November 1999 issue of *National Geographic*. The article described a newly discovered fossil of an ancient animal with feathered wings and the tail of a meat-eating dinosaur. The story called the species *Archaeopteryx liaoningensis* and claimed it was the "missing link" between birds and dinosaurs.

This was big news—and it became even bigger news several months later, when the magazine announced that the relic was bogus and the editors had been fooled. The real

story began a few years earlier in Northern China, where a farmer had unearthed a bird fossil. To increase its value, he glued it to another fossil. The result looked like a single animal, but it was actually made from two different creatures.

In the hurry to print the article, *National Geographic* failed to do enough checking. The fake fossil, though, still turned out to be very important: Both of the species in it were brand-new discoveries.



WINGING IT: An artist's model of the "newly discovered" dino—which turned out to be fake.



National Geographic's 1999 article about the new "find."

### A Big Phony

On October 16, 1869, workers digging a well on William Newell's farm in Cardiff, New York, discovered a 10-foot-tall stone man. The giant was put on display at the farm, and thousands of people

came to see it, paying 50¢ each for a peek. Many believed the object was a petrified human body or an ancient statue. The farmer, however, knew that it was a sham. One year earlier, his relative, George Hull, had hired a stonecutter to carve the figure out of a slab of rock. The carving was treated to make it look old, then buried at the farm. George planned to make some money when it was "discovered."

Though experts pronounced the Cardiff Giant a fake, George sold it for \$37,500 to a group of businessmen, who exhibited it in Syracuse, New York. It was so popular that showman P.T. Barnum had a plaster replica made for his museum.



GIANT MOB: Onlookers watch as the Cardiff Giant is unearthed.

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## Fossil Fool



Back in the 1700s, Johann Beringer was an important person in Würzburg, Germany. He was a professor of medicine at the city's university and a personal doctor to a local bishop. He was also a collector of fossils. And, according to some, he was way too full of himself.

One day in 1725, two of Dr. Beringer's coworkers began playing a trick on him by creating new "fossils" for his collection. They carved images of insects, the sun, and other objects into stones (left). Then they hired a boy to bury the fakes on a nearby mountain. Later, the boy excavated these "finds" for the professor. Dr. Beringer was puzzled—and excited—by the mysterious stones. Some had the shapes of small animals, pictures of stars, or Hebrew letters.

In several months' time, the tricksters sent almost 2,000 fake fossils to the professor. They finally confessed—but only after Dr. Beringer had published a book about his fossil discoveries.

He should see the bones I dug up.



## Hunting, Gathering, and Shopping?

In May 2005, workers at the British Museum in London, England, were surprised to find a new exhibit in one of their galleries. The painted rock showed a caveman pushing a shopping cart (right). A label on the wall described the scene as "Early man venturing towards the out-of-town hunting grounds."

It turned out that the cave painting was a fake made by an artist named Banksy, who had sneaked it into the museum a few days earlier without getting caught. The museum staff showed a sense of humor about the prank: They decided to make the "prehistoric" stone part of the museum's permanent collection. □



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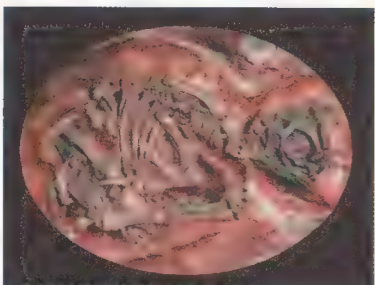
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# The **Real** Deal About **DINOSAURS**

**Steven Stern** looked into petrified dinosaur poop and why you'll probably never have a triceratops in your backyard.



A fossilized dinosaur egg.

## What dinosaur remains have survived besides fossilized bones?

Although they are rare, fossilized dinosaur eggs have also been discovered by scientists. You can even see the fossilized bones of the unhatched animals inside a very small number of them (left).

Rarest of all are so-called dinosaur mummies—specimens where the animal's skin and sometimes its ligaments, tendons, or flesh are fossilized. (They're not really mummies, though. The soft tissues aren't actually preserved but petrified—turned into stone.) Only a few of these have ever been found.

Scientists have also found petrified pieces of poop—called coprolites. While they can provide valuable information about a dinosaur's diet, there is no foolproof way to figure out what dinosaur they came from. Only rarely is a coprolite linked with a particular species. And in some cases, natural rock formations have been mistakenly identified as coprolites.



PETRIFIED POOP: A collection of coprolites.



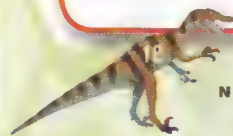
FILM FICTION: A scene from *Jurassic Park*, where a dinosaur is successfully hatched.

## Is it possible to use dinosaur DNA to clone a living dinosaur?

If you're waiting to see the movie *Jurassic Park* become a reality, prepare to be disappointed. There's currently no way to clone dinosaurs, and scientists say it will probably never happen.

First, you would need intact DNA—the chemical that contains the genetic code for almost all living things—to clone a dinosaur. In most fossils, the majority of organic material has been replaced by minerals, so no DNA exists. And even if we were to find dino DNA inside of, say, a mosquito-like insect trapped in amber (fossilized tree resin), DNA is fragile and breaks apart over time, so it would most likely be unusable. Second, to clone animals, scientists need a living egg from the same (or a very closely related) species—and such creatures just don't exist for dinosaurs.

Finally, the world today is different from what it was millions of years ago. Most of the plants and animals that dinosaurs ate no longer exist, and there are many new diseases. A prehistoric creature would be unlikely to survive for long in today's environment. So you should probably give up your dream of adopting a pet brontosaurus for now. □



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## Gummi Mastodons

**Ingredients:** Sugar, gelatin, natural flavors, ground tusks, and fur.



## Rock Candy

**Ingredients:** Chocolate, trilobites, minerals, sediment, and crispies.

## HERE'S HOW TO ENTER:

- 1 Come up with a funny prehistoric candy. You can base it on a candy that currently exists or come up with something totally new.
- 2 Give your candy a name, describe what it is made of, and draw a picture of the wrapper.
- 3 Include your full name, age, address, and phone number with your entry.
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# What's Your Cave Name?



Do you ever feel as though you were born in the wrong era? Here's a formula to help you figure out what your name would be if you suddenly found yourself in prehistoric times.

## Step 1: Your Cave First Name

Find the sound listed next to the first letter of your first name. For example, if your first name is Billy, then your cave first name is Blor.

<b>A:</b> Akk-Akk	<b>J:</b> Jarp	<b>S:</b> Spoot
<b>B:</b> Blor	<b>K:</b> Kekk	<b>T:</b> Torg
<b>C:</b> Cruitt	<b>L:</b> Lubbnub	<b>U:</b> Urt
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<b>H:</b> Horp	<b>Q:</b> Qoom	<b>Z:</b> Zargnarg
<b>I:</b> Irrrrrr	<b>R:</b> Roog-Roog	

## Step 2: Your Cave Last Name

Take your street address and add the digits together until you have a single digit. For example, if you live at 362 Woodward Avenue, add 3+6+2 to get 11. Then, add 1+1 to get 2. Your cave last name is the Dinosaur Whisperer!

- |   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| <b>1:</b> the Clan Mediator                   | <b>6:</b> the Bronze Jeweler         |
| <b>2:</b> the Dinosaur Whisperer              | <b>7:</b> the Nomadic Vegetarian     |
| <b>3:</b> the Stone Pusher                    | <b>8:</b> the Club Repair Specialist |
| <b>4:</b> the C.I.T. (Caveperson in Training) | <b>9:</b> the Fire Starter           |
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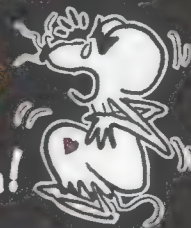
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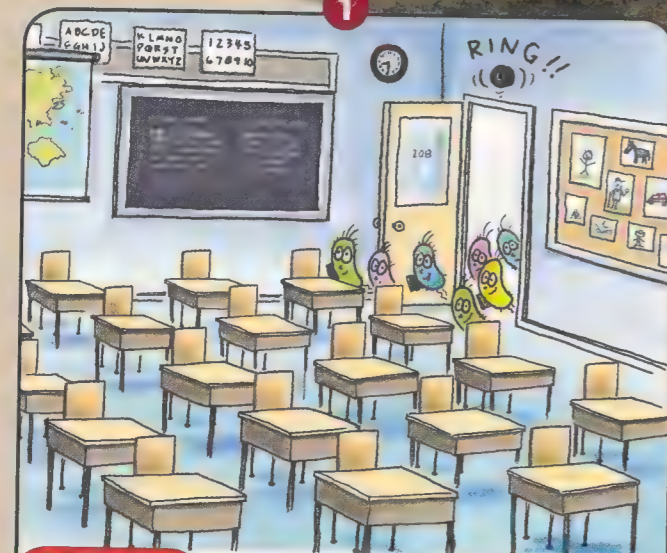
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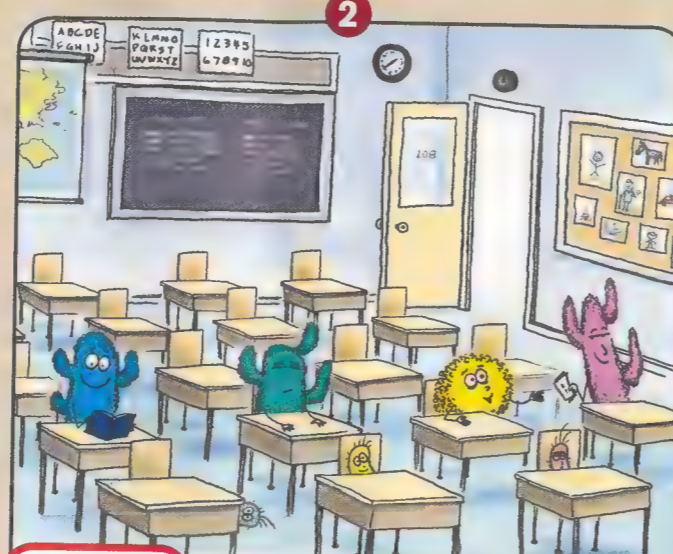
What if the history of life on Earth so far took place during a single school day? We did the math, and here's how the day would go. by Jennifer Nichols

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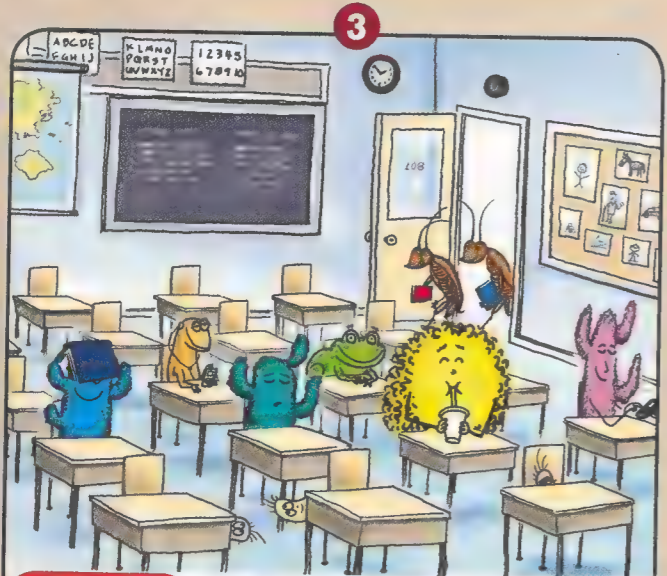
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**Bacteria** arrive. They may as well be getting a private tutor, because from the first bell at 8:30 AM until the end of sixth period, they're the only ones at school.



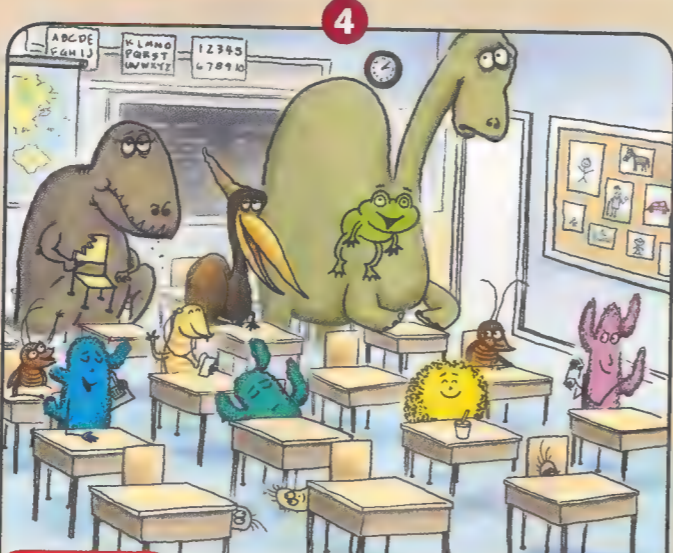
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**Sponges and corals** settle into their seats at 1:38 PM.



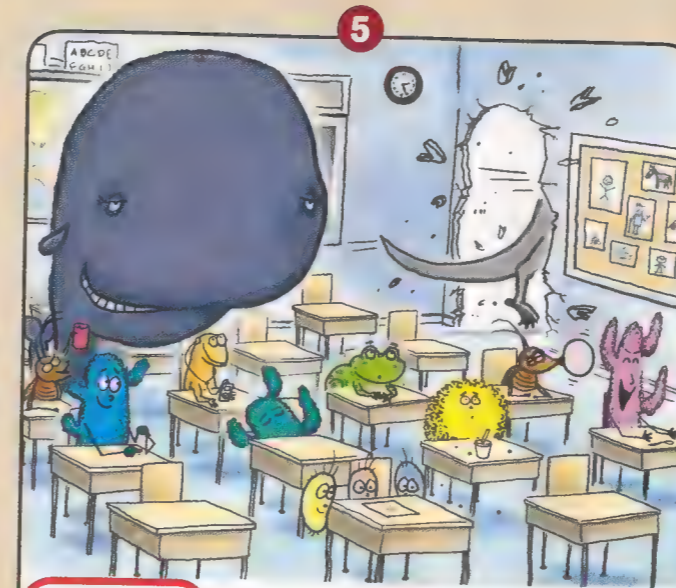
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The ultratardy **amphibians** casually hop in at 1:52, and **cockroaches** join them shortly after, at 1:56.



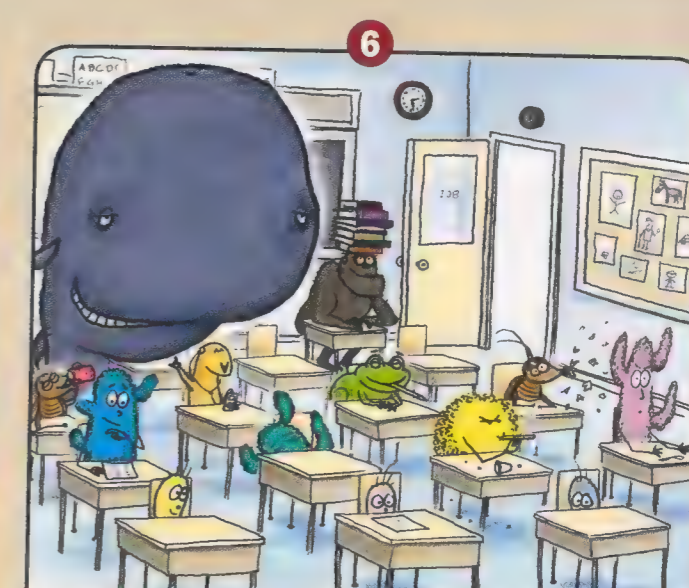
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**Dinosaurs** arrive at 2:05 and then drop out of school at 2:22.



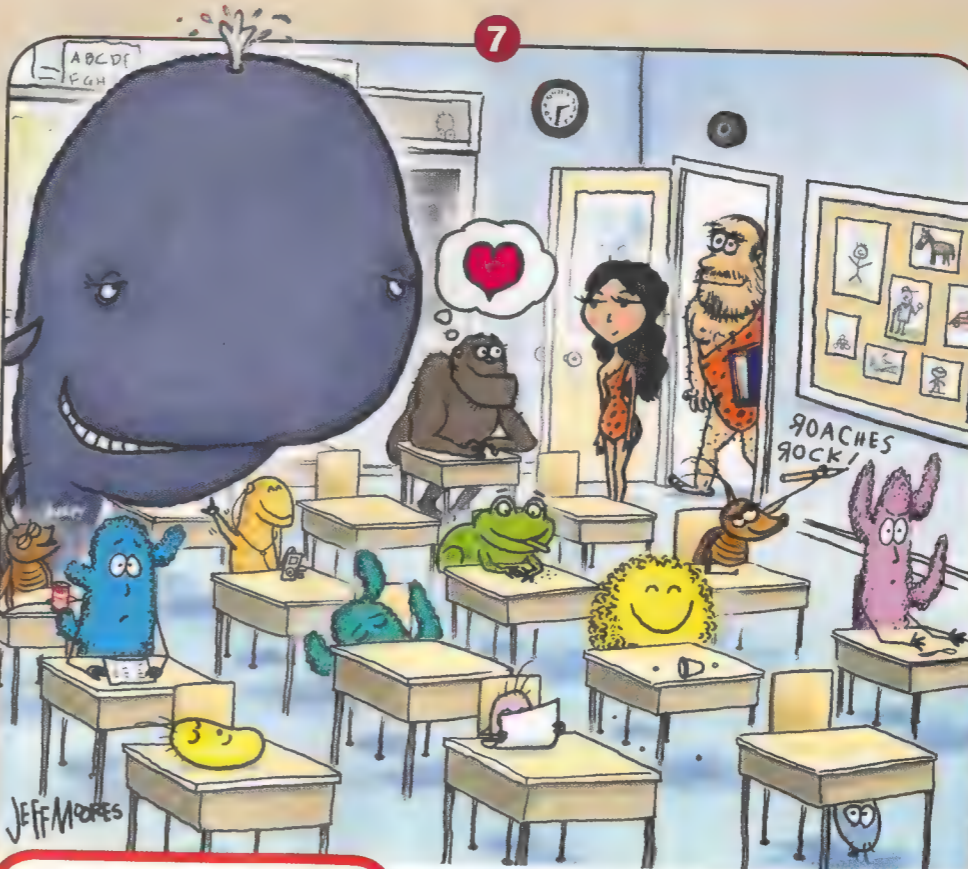
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**Whales** grace the class with their mammalian presence at 2:25.



2:27

Those troublemaking **apes** swing in at 2:27.



2:29:48

With a scant 12 seconds of class left, **humans** saunter through the door, ready to learn. *RIIIING!* Time to go home already? Oh, too bad!

## WHAT CAME WHEN

CREATURE	FIRST APPEARED
Bacteria	3.5 billion years ago
Sponges and Corals	500 million years ago
Amphibians	360 million years ago
Cockroaches	320 million years ago
Dinosaurs	228 million years ago (extinct 163 million years later)
Whales	40 million years ago
Apes	19 million years ago
Humans	2 million years ago

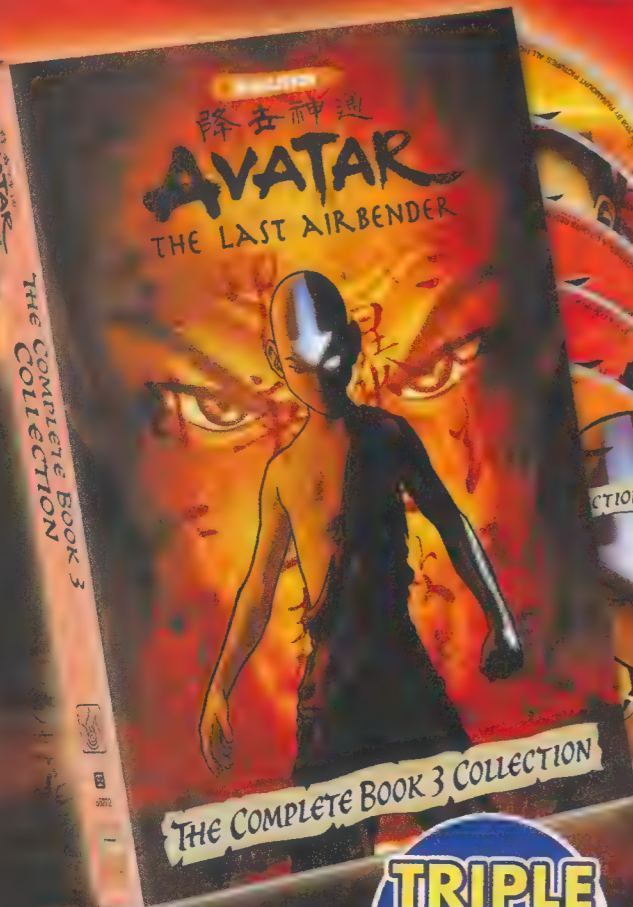
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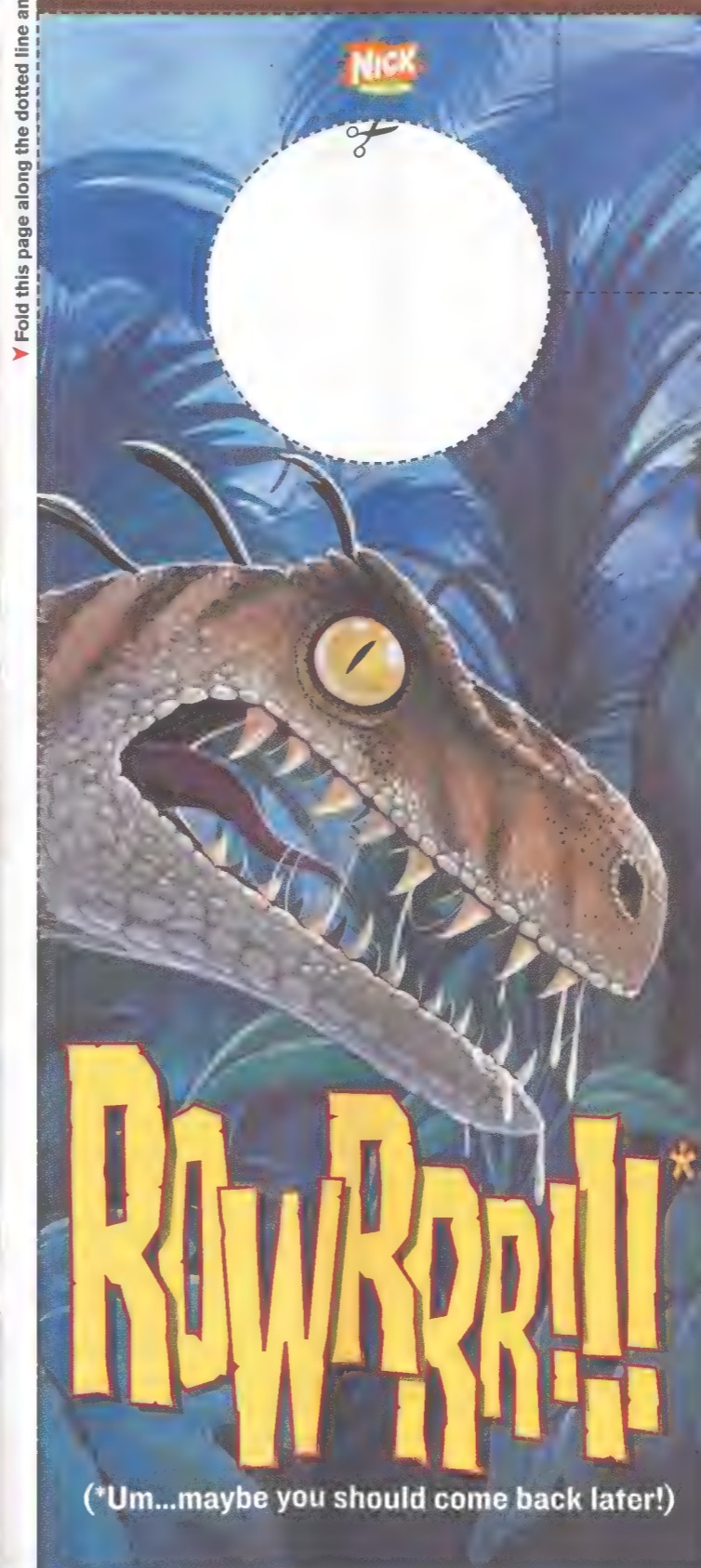
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MOO HOO! HA HA!

HOLD IT!

WE'RE AWESOME AT SNEAKING CARGO. YEAH!

I MADE IT! FOR YOUR NEXT JOB, GO PHOTOGRAPH HATS!

ZOMBIES!!!

SOON

THE CHITZEN

POLICE BUST A SMUGGLING RING!

MUMMIES!

LET'S SEE WHAT'S IN THESE CRATES.

SMUG SMUGGLERS!

TAKE PHOTOS

FIGHT!

THE HAUNTED GROVE!

GO AROUND!

OH, NO! I'VE BECOME PARAZZIS!

YOU LOSE, LOSER!

HEY! YOU'RE NOT A WITCH!

NO, I FREED A GENIE WHEN I WAS FOUR.

BIFF! POW!

SNA! PLUM!

AAPE!

UM...

CAN I TAKE A PHOTO OF YOUR HOUSE?

FINE.

ASK FOR PHOTO

ASK HER OUT

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO OUT SOME-TIME?

IT'S NO BIGFOOT, BUT I'LL GET ME A PAYCHECK.

CLICK!

I'M A PRINCESS! FIRST, YOU MUST COMPLETE A QUEST!

IF YOU EVER GET A PHOTO OF BIGFOOT, MEET ME IN THE BOTTOM RIGHT-HAND CORNER OF THE NEXT PAGE.

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I GOT SICK OF PEOPLE LOOKING FOR ME, SO I LEFT SCOTLAND.

BUT IF YOU PROMISE NOT TO TAKE MY PHOTO, I'LL SHOW YOU SOMETHING BETTER.

BUT WE GOTTA WAIT FOR IT TO GET DARK.

TRUST HIM

OKAY, C'MON. THIS WAY.

IT'S A MONSTER MASH! YES! CLICK!

TAKE PHOTO

MINGLE

HEY! GUYS! WHAT KIND OF MONSTER ARE YOU?

NO! THESE ARE FAKE! GET OUT!

SOON

HA HA! I AM THE KING OF THE ZOMBIES! YOUR BRAIN IS OURS!

WOW! A KING! THAT RULES!

THAT PUN'S HORRIBLE! GET HIM!

NO, WAIT! I DIDN'T MEAN IT!

BE NICE

WAIT. HE INSULTED ME. HIS BRAIN MUST BE JELLY. LET HIM GO!

WHEN! OUTTA THE GROVE!

THIS BITES! I'M GOING HOME!

UM, I'M A SIAMESE CYCLOPS, A FREAK WITH TWO EYES!

I GOT BITTEN BY A WEREWOLF AND BECAME A WEREWOLF.

I GOT BITTEN BY A VAMPIRE AND BECAME A VAMPIRE.

I GOT BITTEN BY A MOSQUITO AND BECAME ITCHY.

I GOT BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE VAMPIRE.

OH, NO! A BEAR!

HEY! FINALLY! BIGFOOT! SAY CHEESE!

I'M A VAMPIRE BIGFOOT, SO THE PHOTO WON'T TURN OUT.

OH, OKAY. CAN I GET AN AUTOGRAPH OR SOMETHING?

THE END! MOORAY! THIS IS ABOUT AS HAPPILY EVER AFTER AS I GET.

FINE.

UM... YEAH.

SURE THANKS.

SO... YOU WANNA PLAY FRISBEE, HACKY SACK, OR SOMETHING.

NO.

SO, YOU'RE GOING TO WEAR THAT ON OUR DATE?

YOU DID IT!

KISS!

IF YOU EARNED A DATE

COOL! I'M FAMOUS NOW!

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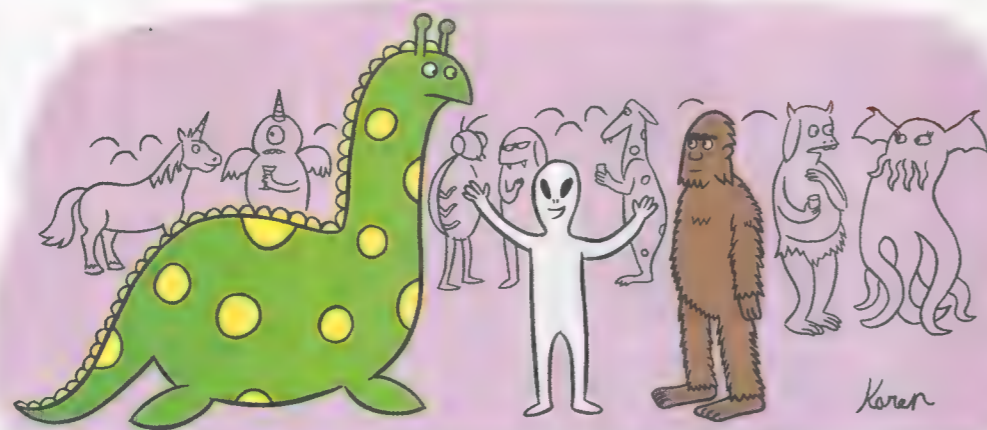
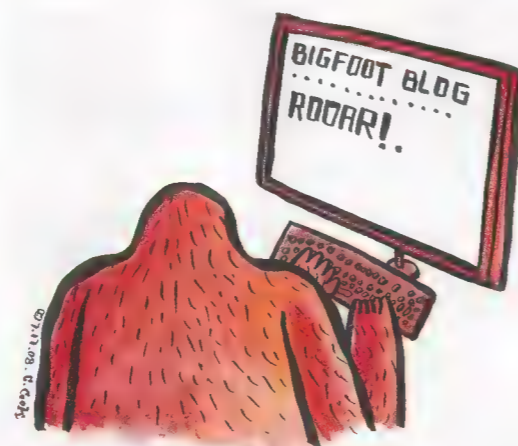
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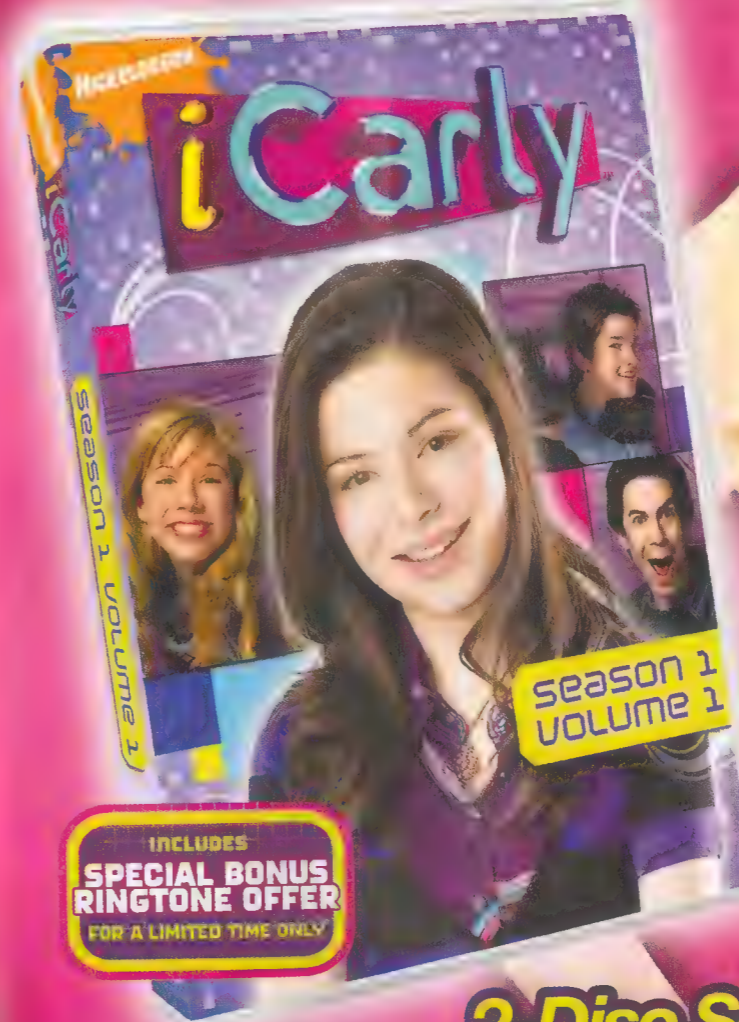


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NEW PET!

ALL RIGHT, REMOVE  
THE BLANKET SO  
THE CLASS CAN  
SEE IT...

BEHOLD...

?



I KNOW MY TEACHER'S  
SCARY-LOOKIN', BUT  
CALM DOWN!

GRRRRR.

**BOOM!**

WHOA! HE BROKE  
THROUGH THE WALL!!

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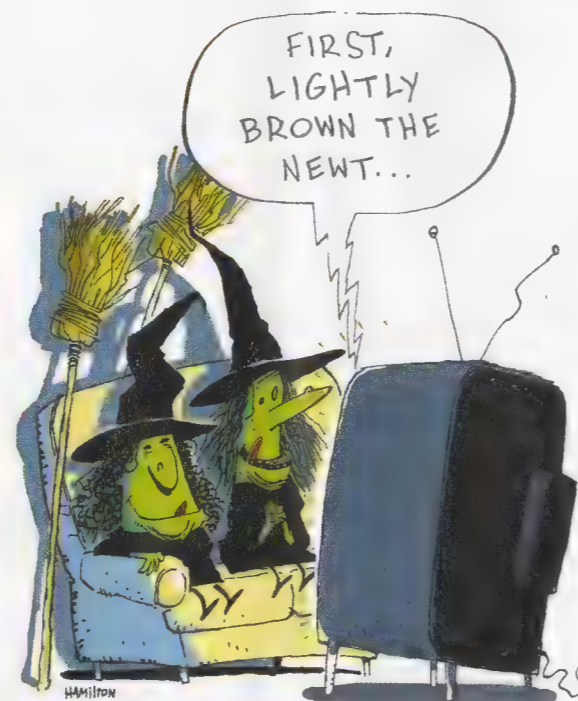
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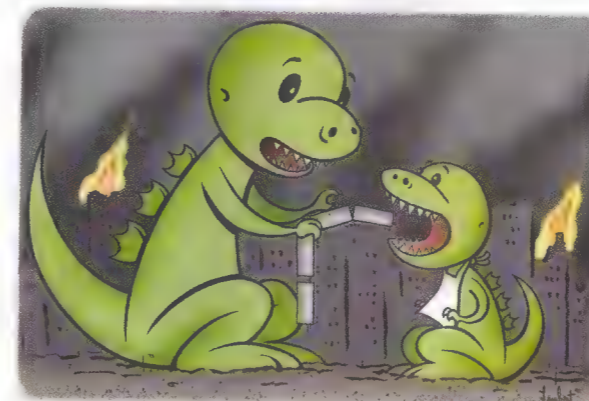
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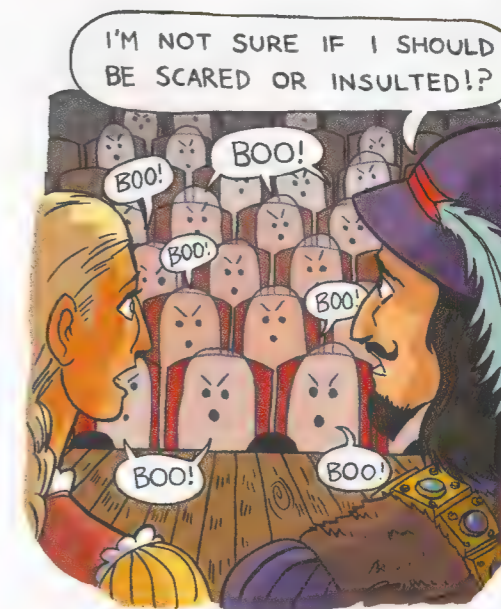
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"I remember when you were just a diagram in your papa's notebook."

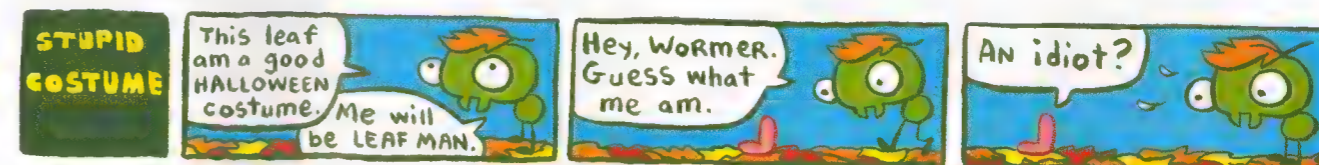


"Open wide! Here comes the choo-choo train!"



When ghosts attend the theater...

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# FARM vs. Fiction

Back at the Barnyard might give you the impression that animals are just like people. Don't be too sure of that. Check out our chart to learn the real deal with these animals. **by Frank Pittarese**

## IN THE BARNYARD

## IN THE REAL WORLD

**Otis** Otis once attached a milking machine to his udders.

Male cattle don't have udders.

**Pig** Pig played the lead in Otis's movie, *Haunted Mutant Space Cows From Planet Mercury*.

It took 48 pigs and an animatronic double to play the lead in the movie *Babe*.

**Bessy** Bessy wears a tag as an earring.

Metal or plastic ear tags are a way for farmers to identify cows. They usually have an ID number and are sometimes electronic.

**Pip** Pip is sometimes known as the super-hero sidekick Ratboy.

Mice and rats are different species. Brown rats can grow to 10 inches long and weigh 16 ounces, but mice are much smaller (and less scary).

**Duke** As a sheepdog, it's Duke's job to herd the sheep.

Sheepdogs really do herd sheep—and also cattle, ducks, geese, and even reindeer.

I herd editors.

**Freddy** Freddy has orange fur.

Ferrets generally have black, white, brown, or mixed fur. They don't spend so much time with chickens, either, but that's another story.

**Peck** Peck is accident prone.

Roosters often sit on a perch up to five feet off the ground to guard their flock. But unlike Peck, most roosters don't fall off (or get struck by meteors).

PIP, PIP, HOORAY!

On Back at the Barnyard, Jeff Garcia voices Otis's pal Pip. Jeff, who also plays Sheen on *Jimmy Neutron*, *Boy Genius*, was not mousy about answering our questions.

### The Same, but Different

Much like Pip, "I have a smart mouth and I'm a cheese fiend," Jeff said. "I'll have enchiladas with extra cheese. I like every single kind [of cheese], except for the smelly ones." But unlike Pip, Jeff is 5'10"!

### Frenemies

Jeff would think twice about having Pip as a best bud. "He's too smart-alecky." On the other hand, he would *not* think twice about hanging out with Pig in real life. "I would love to have Pig at my house. He's so laid-back."



### Fan Club

Jeff, who is from California, is a huge Los Angeles Dodgers fan. "[If I were as small as Pip,] I would probably live at Dodger Stadium and just eat what [the fans] drop and watch the games for free." He's not, however, a huge fan of mice. "My old house had mice. I called the exterminator." □

Catch Snotty Boy-themed Back at the Barnyard episodes every afternoon during the week of Monday, October 20, including a premiere on Friday, October 24. Dates are subject to change. Check [nick.com](http://nick.com) for details.

# Play With Your Family

This year's Worldwide Day of Play is Saturday, September 27. Get outside and play while Nick goes off the air from noon until 3 PM. That night, catch the finale of *My Family's Got GUTS*.

We asked GUTS trainers Elisa and Elvis what you can do at home with your family to sharpen your hand-eye coordination.



### CATCH AND BACK

What you need: a football

Begin standing just a few feet from your partner and pass the football back and forth once. Back up a few feet with each new pass, and see how far you can get without dropping the ball.

### LATERAL SHUFFLE WITH CHEST PASS

What you need: a basketball

Stand opposite your partner. Shuffle sideways while passing the ball to each other at chest level.

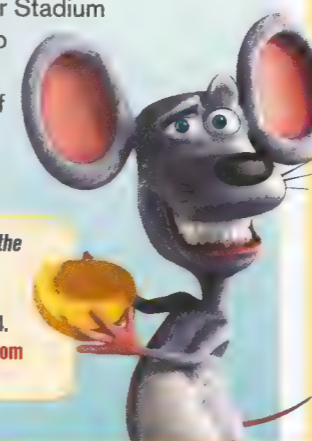
### BUMP

What you need: a volleyball

Have someone toss a volleyball your way. Clasp your hands together, straighten your arms, and bounce the ball off of your forearms toward your partner. See how long you can keep the volley going.

Go to [nick.com/guts](http://nick.com/guts) to try the *My Family's Got GUTS* game and for behind-the-scenes footage, photos, clips, message boards, and more. After Worldwide Day of Play, upload photos of you and your family at [nick.com/play](http://nick.com/play).

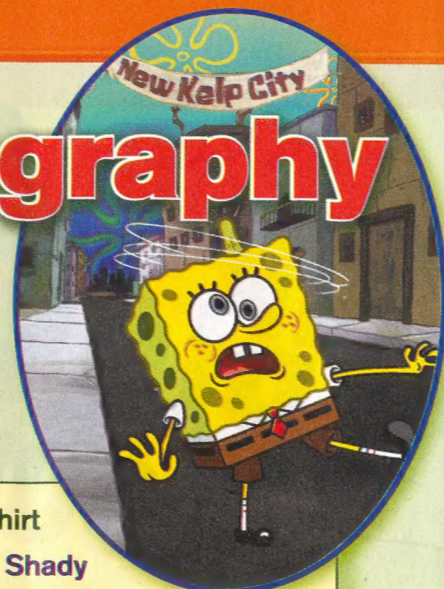
*My Family's Got GUTS* airs from Monday, September 15, through Saturday, September 27. Dates are subject to change. Check [nick.com](http://nick.com) for details.



# SpongeBobography

In "WhoBob WhatPants," a bump on the head makes SpongeBob forget everything about his life—including his own name! We created this cheat sheet for him to use just in case it ever happens again. Use your SpongeKnowledge to circle the correct colored phrase in each group below. **Answers on page 55.**

by Frank Pittarese



My name is **CheeseHead BrownPants/SpongeBob SquarePants/NoShirt NoPants**. I live in a **pineapple/seashell/cardboard box** in a place called **Shady Shoals/Lagoon Beach/Bikini Bottom**, located under the **Brooklyn Bridge/sea/couch**. I have a pet snail named **Gary/Harry/Doogie**. He doesn't say much except **"Hello"/"Meow"/"Toot-toot"**.



In my spare time, I like to **blow bubbles/do laundry/eat mustard** and go **skydiving/tap dancing/jellyfishing** with my friend Patrick **Dempsey/Cheeks/Star**. I also work as a **taco tester/fry cook/potato peeler** at the **Krusty Krab/Tasty Tentacle/Wet Willie**. My boss, **Mr. Lobster/Mr. Krabs/Mr. Mollusk**, is known for being **artistic/smelly/cheap**, and he talks like a **Sasquatch/pirate/soldier**. Squidward works the **register/cleanup shift/toilets**. He's also my **uncle/neighbor/best pal** and likes to play **dress up/tag/the clarinet**.

My friends and I have had many adventures together. We visited the lost city of **Chicago/Atlantis/Oceania**. Plankton once turned all of us into **babies/llamas/fruit**. And I even competed to be crowned **America's Next Top Model/The King of Karate/Governor of the Guppies!**

I've been freaked out by **flying monkeys/The Flying Dutchman/fly fishing**, bullied by my mean cousin **Blackjack/Hackesack/Jumping Jack**, and menaced by the wizard Planktonomom when I went **to a magic show/back in time/to the Chum Bucket**.

And that's who I am.  
Don't forget it!

Signed,  
*Me*



The **SpongeBob SquarePants** event "WhoBob WhatPants" airs Monday, October 13. Check out [nick.com](http://nick.com) to track SpongeBob's whereabouts and post your latest sightings on the message boards.



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## What's New on Nick

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### Shocktober 2

Starts Saturday, October 25

Throughout the week, catch the scariest episodes of Nicktoons and TEENick shows, including *iCarly*, *The Fairly OddParents* (left), *SpongeBob SquarePants*, and *Zoey 101*.

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# All the Fright Moves

Real

One section of each *Goosebumps HorrorLand* novel by R.L. Stine takes place in HorrorLand, a terror-themed amusement park. Explore it in the new *Goosebumps HorrorLand* video game for PS2, Wii, and DS—and find out if the scariness is actually for real.

**Carnival of Screams:** This is the first section of HorrorLand that you enter.



**Games found there:** This area has classic rides and carnival games to play, such as Bumper Carnage (a creepy bumper car ride) and Calamity Canyon, where you have to steer a car on a high-speed, crumbling roller coaster. Press 1 on the Wii and Δ on the PS2 to scream. It gets you more points.

**Tip:** Meet Horrifico (far right), whether you want to or not. This mean, green monster greets you when you enter. He's having trouble with HorrorLand's main attraction, the Great Gargantua. Look for the Great Gargantua poster in this part of the park to find out what's going on.



**Vampire Village:** Collect 10 Frights to unlock this area of HorrorLand.

**Games found there:** In the Garlic Crusher,

you face a room of coffins. As vampires pop out of them, throw garlic at the bloodsuckers to knock them down before they reach your tasty neck. And at the Batting Cage, if you hit five home runs in a row, you'll win the Evil Snowman monster card.

**Tip:** The telephones in Vampire Village tell vampire jokes if you pick them up. Too bad for you that the phones don't make any calls.

I guess the lines are dead??

**Character name:** Horrifico

**Who he is:** A monster, a magician, and the manager of the Horrors, the other green creatures that work there.

**What he wants:**

We don't know. But we know what he *doesn't* want. When you get close to learning the park's darkest secrets, expect him to use his powers to stop you.



**Character name:** GiGi

**Who she is:** A little girl you can find on the Roller Ghoster in Vampire Village.

**What she wants:** Like you, to get the heck out of HorrorLand. If you can rescue her, she may be able to help you escape.



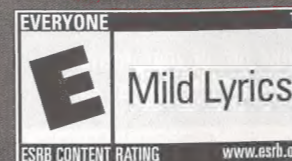
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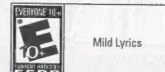


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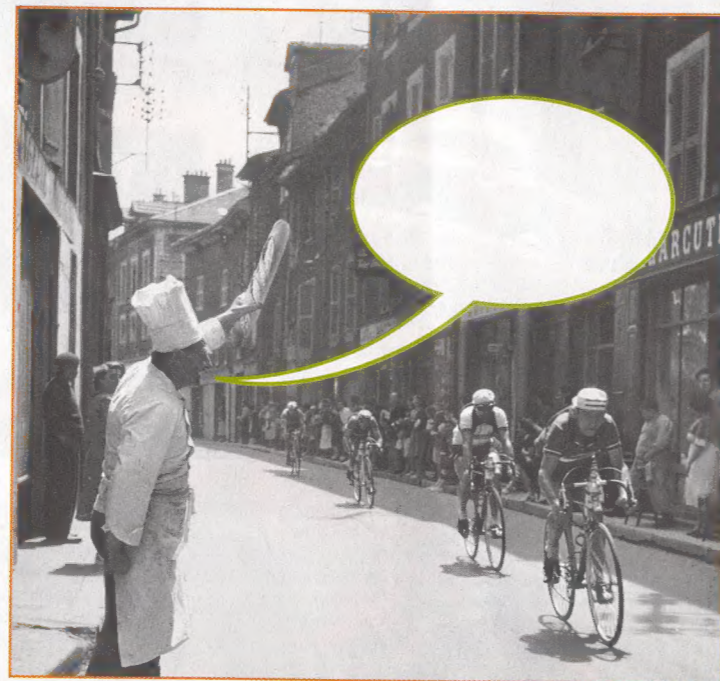


The Results Are In

# Say What? Winners

from the May issue

Real



**Man:** Keep going! First place gets all the dough!\*

Maddy C., age 11  
Bel Air, Maryland

**Man:** Can you pick me up some butter for my bread?

Halie Z., age 12  
Las Vegas, Nevada

**Man:** Catch!  
Max M., age 10  
Leawood, Kansas

**Man:** I said, bring me four bakers, not bikers!

Erica H., age 10  
Elmhurst, Illinois

**Man:** Do you want this to go?\*

Sarah S., age 8  
Balfour, North Dakota

**Man:** Hey, come back! You haven't paid yet!\*

Franklin C., age 9  
Moorestown, New Jersey

**Man:** Come on! You've got it in the baguette!

Ashlyn M., age 10  
Crossville, Alabama

**Man:** Nice buns!  
Dakota W., age 10  
Omaha, Nebraska

\*We received a number of entries like this one.

Thanks for all your entries. They weren't stale at all.

In fact, some were quite tasty.



# Answers

Real

Name That Star (page 8): 1-A, 2-A, 3-B, 4-B, 5-A.

**One Sweet Puzzle (pages 28-29):** Breakfast: eggs-peppermint patties, jellied lemon; sausages-Tootsie Rolls; toast-peanut brittle, jellied lemon; grapefruit slices-jellied grapefruit. Lunch: hamburger buns-Mary Janes; burger-peppermint patties; lettuce-gum; carrots and corn-candy corns; baked beans-Sugar Babies; coleslaw-gum, orange licorice. Dinner: meat loaf-Milky Way bars; peas-Skittles; beets-red licorice; mashed potatoes-marshmallows, jellied lemon. Salad: lettuce-green gum; croutons-Mary Janes; tomatoes-Red Hot Dollars. Fruit salad: jellied fruit, jujubes, and candy orange.

**A SpongeBobography (page 50):** SpongeBob SquarePants, pineapple, Bikini Bottom, sea, Gary, "Meow," blow bubbles, jellyfishing, Star, fry cook, Krusty Krab, Mr. Krabs, cheap, pirate, register, neighbor, the clarinet, Atlantis, babies, The King of Karate, The Flying Dutchman, Blackjack, back in time.

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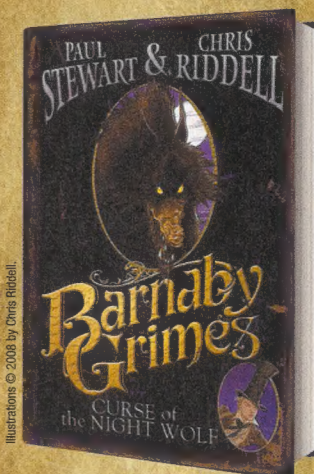
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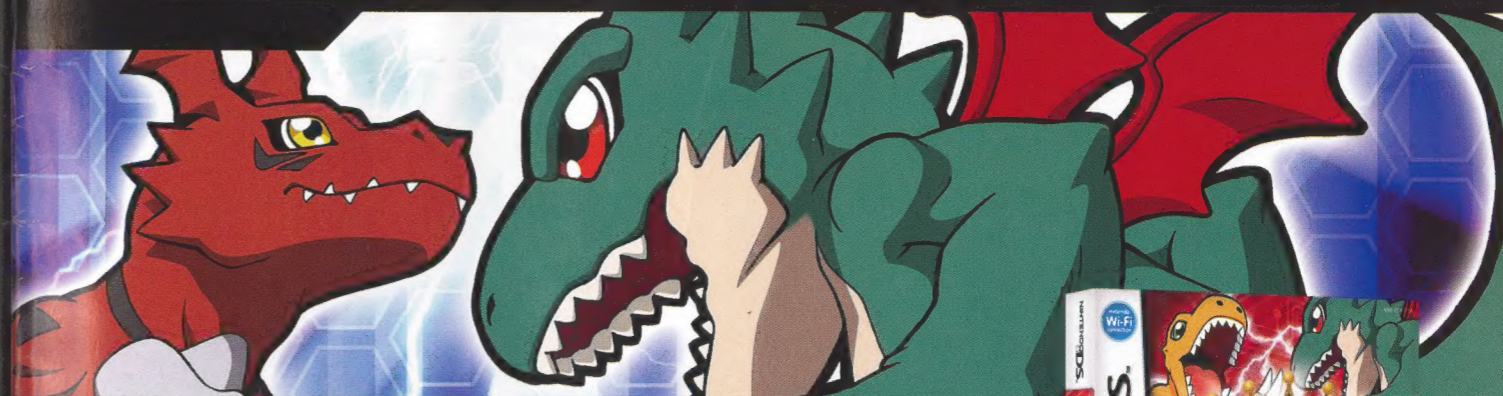
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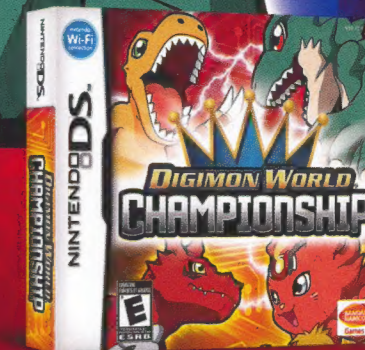
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